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DEPARTMENT FOR AF/C AND EUR/NE

E.O. 12356: DECL: OADR  
TAGS: PREL, MOPS, BE, RW, BE, FR, BY  
SUBJECT: TFRW01: BELGIAN GOVERNMENT REQUEST FOR U.S.  
MILITARY SUPPORT FOR EVACUATION OPERATIONS FROM  
RWANDA

REF: BRUSSELS 3967 AND PREVIOUS

1. C - ENTIRE TEXT. ACTION REQUEST - PARA 3.

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2. AT 1330 LOCAL TIME APRIL 9, DOMINIQUE STRUYE OF BELGIAN PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE FORMALLY CONFIRMED TO THE AMBASSADOR THE GOB'S AGREEMENT WITH BELGIAN MILITARY REQUESTS FOR U.S. MILITARY SUPPORT FOR AN OPERATION TO EVACUATE CIVILIANS FROM RWANDA. IN RESPONSE TO EMBASSY'S REQUEST TO DEFINE AGAIN AS OF MIDDAY APRIL 9 WHAT THE BELGIAN GOVERNMENT WAS REQUESTING, STRUYE SAID THE REQUEST WAS FOR AIRLIFT SUPPORT OF ONE PARA BN REINFORCED WITH TRACKED VEHICLES PLUS ONE RECCE SQUADRON ON CVR-T FROM BELGIUM TO KIGALI (OR TO A STAGING AREA AS NECESSARY) AND USE OF THESE AIRCRAFT TO BACKLIFT EXPATRIATES BEING EVACUATED FROM RWANDA AS NECESSARY. THE BELGIAN GOVERNMENT ASKS THAT THE U.S. GOVERNMENT PROVIDE HELICOPTER SUPPORT FOR THE EVACUATION OF CIVILIAN EXPATRIATES AS NECESSARY. THE MEDICAL SUPPORT THE GOB CURRENTLY REQUESTS IS THAT THE U.S. BE PREPARED TO PROVIDE A MASH HOSPITAL UNIT FOR KIGALI TO SUPPORT THE EVACUATION EFFORT. SPECIFIC BELGIAN REQUESTS ARE, UNDERSTANDABLY, SUBJECT TO SOME MODIFICATION AS A RESULT OF THE RAPIDLY

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EVOLVING SITUATION ON THE GROUND IN RWANDA AND NEWLY  
AUTHORISED BELGIAN-U.S. MILITARY PLANNING.

3. ACTION REQUEST: PLEASE CLARIFY FOR US WHAT SUPPORT WASHINGTON IS ABLE AND WILLING TO PROVIDE.

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